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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALLEN, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30, CORNHILL. GORDON & GORDON, Ltd. 10, Old Bailey. E. C. BATES, HENRY & CO., 110 & 112, Leadenhall Street.

PARIS AND EUROPE.—LEON DE ROSNY, 18, Rue Monnaie, Paris.

NEW YORK.—ANDREW WILSON, 133, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GORDON, Melbourne and Sydney.

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CHINA.—Messrs. A. A. DE MELO & CO., Swatow, Canton, & Co. Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLS & CO., Fookien, HONG & CO., Shanghai. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., Kowloon & Co. Yokohama, LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

BANKS.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND, 1,200,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—F. D. BARROW, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—W. H. FORBES, Esq.
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H. L. DUNN, Esq. WILHELM REINER, Esq.
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CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.
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London Bankers—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " "
" 12 " 5 " " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credit granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Office of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East,
Hongkong, August 16, 1878.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.
(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

RATES of Interest allowed on Deposits.
At 3 months' notice 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " " 4 " " "
" 12 " " 5 " " "

D. A. J. GROMBIE, Acting Manager.

Ordnance Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, July 1, 1878.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA.

CAPITAL, £800,000.
RESERVE FUND, £150,000.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
THE CITY BANK.

NATIONAL BANK OF SCOTLAND.

THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONGKONG grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business.

RATES of INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.
On CURRENT ACCOUNTS, 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
On FIXED DEPOSITS.
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " "
" 12 " 5 " " "

THE CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON AND CHINA.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

CAPITAL, £750,000.
RESERVE FUND, £161,560.10/16.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND.

THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK.

RATES of Interest allowed on Fixed Deposits.
For 3 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 3 " " "
" 12 " 4 " " "

Besides conducting general Exchange Business, the Bank discounts local bills, payable in Hongkong, and makes advances on approved Bank Securities.

Present Rate of Discount for approved short sight Acceptances, 5 per cent. per annum.

Rates for Advances, according to terms required, may be ascertained on application.

H. H. NELSON, Manager.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

For Sale.

RECENTLY ARRIVED.

FOR SALE.

TEYSSONNEAU'S FINE FRENCH STRAWBERRIES.
TEYSSONNEAU'S ASSORTED FRUITS.
FRENCH JAMS AND JELLIES.
MACASSAR RED FISH.
Very Fine "O. K." BOURBON WHISKY.
FINEST CHERBOURG BUTTER, in BOTTLES OF ONE POUND.
BUSOK & Co.'s SELECTED DANISH BUTTER, Season 1878, in Tins of 1 lb., 2 lbs., and 4 lbs.
ENGLISH AND AMERICAN HOUSEHOLD STORES.
EXTRA FINE CHICAGO BACON and HAMS.
MACKEREL and SALMON BELLIES, in Kits.
COD FISH, &c., &c.
HOTH'S BEST RUSSIAN ROPE, and FINE LINES, Assorted Sizes.
FROST BROS'S BEST ENGLISH WHITE LINES.
HENRY'S BEST GOVERNMENT NAVY CANVAS, Assorted Numbers.
INDIA RUBBER SHEET PACKING and LINERTON, all Sizes.
TUCK'S PATENT PACKING.
INDIA RUBBER SUCTION and DELIVERY ROSE.
CANVAS ROSE and LEATHER BELTING.
AMERICAN ASH BOAT-OARS.
ADMIRALTY TESTED CHAIN CABLES, and RIGGING CHAIN.
ANCHORS, from 25 lbs. up to 18 cwt. Each.
PERFORATED ZINC SHEETS.
TINMAN'S and PLUMBER'S SOLDER.
LEAD PIPE, and SHEET LEAD.
FAIRBANK'S PLATFORM SCALES, from 400 lbs. to 2,500 lbs.
MASSEY'S PATENT LOGS.
FLOUR SIEVES.
INDIA RUBBER KNEE and HIP BOOTS, &c., &c.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & CO.
Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

FOR SALE.

THE Steam Launch "KATE," at present lying in this Harbour; carries about 12 Persons in Cabin; consumes 4 cwt. Coal per 24 hours.
The Steam Launch "FLORA MACDONALD," at present engaged as a Tug at Tientsin; carries 80 to 85 tons Cargo; when not towing steams 7 knots, and consumes 2½ tons Coal per 24 hours; Bunker Capacity 15 tons.
Apply to
LINSTEAD & Co.
Hongkong, September 3, 1878. se10

FOR SALE.

TWO AMERICAN and One ENGLISH Second-hand BILLIARD TABLES, with BALLS, CUES, LAMPS, &c., Complete.
Apply to
D. NOWROJEE,
Hongkong Hotel.
Hongkong, July 11, 1878. se1

FOR SALE.

COKE and TAR in Quantities to suit Purchasers, at CHEAP RATES.
Apply to
GAS COMPANY,
West Point.
Hongkong, June 19, 1878. se19

WASHING BOOKS.

(In English and Chinese.)
WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.
CHINA MAIL Office.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions from the Owners, to sell by Public Auction, on
WEDNESDAY,
the 11th September, 1878, at Twelve 12 o'clock Noon,
The German Brig "FRÖHLICH," 360 Tons Register, Carrying Capacity about 8,200 Pounds.
As she lies in the Harbor of Swatow, with MASTS, SAILS, and Everything Complete.
The Vessel was Built in Calmar, Sweden, in 1864, and Coppered in Swatow, February 1876.
For any further Particulars and Terms of Sale, apply to the Undersigned.
CAMPBELL & Co.
Swatow, September 3, 1878. se11

Intimations.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. beg to notify that they have made such Arrangements in connection with their TAILORING DEPARTMENT, that they are now able to Guarantee the PROMPT Execution of Orders.
The Following GOODS Suitable for the present Season have just been received, from which an early Selection is requested.

THIN BLACK SUPERFINE, for Dress Suits.
FANCY BLACK and BLUE CASHMERE, MELTONS, &c., for Morning Suits.
HOME SPUN, FRIEZE, BEAVER, &c., for Ulsters.
SUPERFINE BEAVER, &c., for Light Overcoats.
HOME SPUN TWEEDS and ANGOLA, for Suits and Trousers.
EXTRA THIN TWEEDS and ANGOLA, for Summer Suits and Trousers.
BLACK, BLUE, and COLOURED SERGES, for Suits.
CORDS, STOCKINETTES and CASSIMERES, for Riding Trousers.
UNIFORMS, LACE, BUTTONS, &c., for H. B. M. Navy and U. S. Navy.

BULLOCK LANE'S SPECIAL BLEND WHISKY.
"S. B. H." The Finest OLD WHISKY, ever imported.
IRISH CONSTABULARY REVOLVERS.
Extra Finest ISIGNY BUTTER.
CHARCOAL and SPONGE FILTERS.
SILVER LAMPS for Kerosene, in large assortment.

LAWN TENNIS SETS.
LADIES' GARDEN TOOLS.
VEGETABLE and FLOWER SEEDS.
CORE'S GOLDEN CLOUD TOBACCO.
Very Fine FRESH APPLES, for Box or per Dozen.
BASS'S DRAUGHT ALE.

LANE CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, September 3, 1878.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS.

ORDERLY ROOM, 3rd September, 1878.
UNLESS otherwise ordered, there will be but ONE PARADE A WEEK on the VOLUNTEER PARADE GROUND, viz. WEDNESDAYS, at 5.30 p.m., when all Members are requested to attend.
The Detachments now at Gun Drill to attend on THURSDAYS ONLY.
The Brooch Loading Gun Drill Detachments to attend on TUESDAYS.
Members desirous of attending the usual Evening Drills for instruction can do so.
(Signed) A. COXON,
Captain-Commandant H. K. V.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

SALE OF THE OPIUM FARM.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TENDERS for the PRIVILEGE OF PREPARING and SELLING PREPARED OPIUM within the Colony for the Term of One, Two, or Three Years from the 1st of March, 1879, under the Provisions of Ordinance No. 2 of 1858 will be received at this Office until Noon on MONDAY, the 23rd September, 1878.
Each Tender should specify the Monthly Payment offered for the period above-mentioned.
The Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any Tender.
Should the highest Tender be less than the sum the Governor thinks a fair price for the Opium Farm, His Excellency in Council will grant Licences direct under Section 3 of the Ordinance, and take such further steps as may be necessary to realize a fair price.
By Command, J. M. PRICE,
Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

WITH Reference to the above Notification, it is hereby notified that His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to extend the period to which TENDERS will be received to Noon on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd October.
By Command, J. M. PRICE,
Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, September 6, 1878.

WANTED.

A EUROPEAN BARKEEPER of some years' Experience, for HONGKONG HOTEL.
Apply to
THE LESSEES.
Hongkong, September 6, 1878. se13

DENTAL NOTICE.

D. ROGERS begs to say that he intends VISITING AMOY and FOOSHOW, leaving Hongkong September 15th, and Returning November 1st.
Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.
The Steamship "VENICE."
P. RIZZO, Commander, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 10th Instant, at 3 o'clock Afternoon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, September 6, 1878. se10

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

The British Steamship "JAPAN."
Captain H. de SAUNIER, will leave this for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 10th Instant, at 3 o'clock p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SOHS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, September 5, 1878. se10

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR AMOY, TAIWANFOO & TAMSUI.
The Steamship "TAIWAN."
Captain M. YOUNG, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 10th Instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, September 7, 1878. se10

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOSHOW.

The Steamship "DOUGLAS."
Captain PITHAL, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 11th Instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, September 7, 1878. se11

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

The Steamship "HESPERIA."
PAULSEN, Master, will be despatched on or about the 15th September.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, August 29, 1878.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "TANALIS."
Commandant DE LA MARCELLE, will be despatched for YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail from Europe.
H. DU POUET,
Agent.
Hongkong, September 7, 1878.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.
The Company's Steamship "TIGRE."
Commandant LORMIER, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.
H. DU POUET,
Agent.
Hongkong, September 7, 1878.

FOR LONDON.

The British Steamer "IMBAY."
Captain STEWART, is shortly expected, and will be despatched as above.
For Freight, apply to
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents,
or to Messrs THOMAS & MEROER, Canton.
Hongkong, September 6, 1878.

FOR LONDON.

The Steamship "STRATHLEVEN."
Captain PEARSON, will be despatched as above on or about the 15th September.
The Strathleven has Superior Accommodation for First-class Passengers.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVIS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, August 29, 1878.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY.

The 41 British Bark "CHARLOTTE ANDREWS," Captain PLACE, will load here, and have a quick despatch as above.
For Freight, apply to
ROZARIO & Co.
Hongkong, July 16, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK.

The 41 British Bark "ATHENE."
FINDLAY, Master, having the greater portion of her Cargo engaged, will load at this for the above Port, and have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
OLYPHANT & Co.
Hongkong, August 18, 1878. se13

FOR LONDON.

The 33 L. I. British Ship "BETIE BIGLOW."
FENGUSON, Master, will load here and have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
MEYER & Co.
Agents.
Hongkong, August 12, 1878.

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR PORTLAND.
The 41 American Ship "CENTENNIAL."
BEARSE, Master, will load here for the above Port, and have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, September 2, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK.

The 41 American Ship "SUMNER R. MEAD."
DIXON, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 41 American Ship "JOSEPHUS."
ROGERS, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, July 22, 1878. se12

FOR OALLAO.

The 41 British Ship "ARABIA."
KILMARNOCK, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have immediate despatch.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, August 28, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK.

The 41 American Bark "LOTTIE MOORE."
HUBSON, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, August 19, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK.

The 41 American Bark "ALBERT RUSSELL."
CARVER, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, August 13, 1878.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 41 British Bark "SARAH BELL."
DIXON, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, August 9, 1878.

FOR HONOLULU.

The 41 French Bark "MADELINE."
PATRAY, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, August 6, 1878.

FOR LONDON.

The 41 British Bark "MOSS GLEN."
CARSON, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, August 2, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK.

The 41 American Bark "SILAS FISH."
WILLIAMS, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, July 30, 1878.

FOR HAMBURG.

The 33 L. I. American Bark "DIRIGO."
STAPLES, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.
For Freight, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, July 30, 1878.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The 41 Ship "SIR CHARLES NAPEL."
FRENCH, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have immediate despatch.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, June 17, 1878.

Intimations.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1877.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Underwritten with a List of their Contributions for the Year ending 31st December last, in order that the distribution of TWENTY PER CENT. (20%) of the Profits reserved for Contributions may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next, will be adjusted by the Company, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878. nol

THE EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES.

HENRY B. HYDE, President.
J. W. ALEXANDER, Vice-President.
SAMUEL BORROW, Secretary.
A. A. HAYES, Jr., General Manager, for China and Japan.

PRINCIPAL OFFICE,
120, BROADWAY, NEW YORK.

Assets.....\$31,700,000
Surplus.....\$5,500,000

THE Underwritten having been appointed Agents in Hongkong, China, for the above Company, are prepared to accept Bids at greatly reduced rates and upon terms very favourable to the assured. For full information and particulars, apply to

OLYPHANT & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, January 21, 1878.

MURRAY & LANMAN'S
FLORIDA WATER.

CAUTION.

HAVING learned that Large Quantities of IMITATIONS of our FLORIDA WATER have recently been imported to Hongkong, we caution the Public against purchasing any that does not bear the name "MURRAY & LANMAN" on the label. Each Bottle of the Genuine is wrapped with a pamphlet printed on paper which has the words "LANMAN & KEMP, NEW YORK" in Water Mark. Messrs MELOHERS & Co. are our only Agents for Sale of the Genuine Florida Water at Hongkong.

LANMAN & KEMP.

New York, July 9, 1878. no20

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Glenagles* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Underwritten, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 2 o'clock p.m. To-day.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 15th instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 6, 1878. sel3

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Venice* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Underwritten, whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-day.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 15th instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 5, 1878. sel2

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Underwritten for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

R. de FOUEY,
Agent.

Ex "Amazona,"

TH 1644, Mr L. Thevenin, from

1 case Luk,.....Marseilles.

Ex "Sindh."

J (in 824/63 Order, 20 from

FE (in 1 case) bales Merchandise, London.

K (in 1781/91 791 793/800 from

Order, 19 cases Merchandise, London.

MS (in 1/6 Order, 6 cases from

Amoy Stationery,.....London.

ME 1/6 Order, 6 cases Oil, from Marseilles.

JCM (in square) 18 bales from

VB 41/50, 10 from Galle.

cases Olusman,.....

Hongkong, September 7, 1878.

To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL,
HONGKONG.

THE ROYAL ENGLISH OPERA
AND
OPERA BOUFFE COMPANY.

IN ACTIVE PREPARATION AND WILL SHORTLY
BE PRODUCED,
DONIZETTI'S MILITARY OPERA,
"THE DAUGHTER OF THE
REGIMENT."

WITH FULL CAST.

Hongkong, September 9, 1878.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.)

The Steamship
"SALVADORA,"
LARRINAGA, Master, will be
despatched for the above Port
on TUESDAY, the 10th instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

REMEDIOS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 9, 1878. sel0

FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND

HIOGO.

The Steamship
"BRAEMAR CASTLE,"

will be despatched for the
above Ports at Noon, on
WEDNESDAY, the 11th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 9, 1878. sel1

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. *Braemar Castle*, having arrived

from the above Ports, Consignees of

Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods

with the exception of Opium, are being

landed, at their risk by Messrs NORTON

& Co., into the Godowns of Messrs TURNER

& Co., whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to receive their

Goods on the Wharf are at liberty to do so.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on

unless notice to the contrary be given

before 1 p.m. To-day.

No Claims will be admitted after the

Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods

remaining after the 16th instant will be

subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 9, 1878. sel5

FOR FREIGHT OR CHARTER.

The A 1 Danish Steamer

"ASTA,"

Captain Dröber, of 880 Tons

Register.

Apply to

SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 9, 1878.

FOR COOKTOWN, SYDNEY AND

MELBOURNE.

(Calling off the usual Coast Ports, and

taking through Cargo and Passengers

for New Zealand.)

The Eastern and Australian

Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer

"SOMERSET,"

Captain L. GREEN, will be

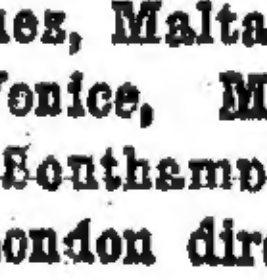
despatched as above on MONDAY Next,

the 16th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, September 9, 1878. sel5



STEAM FOR

Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle,

Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi,

Ancona, Venice, Mediterranean

Ports, Southampton, and

London direct.

Also,

Bombay, Madras, Calcutta, and

Australia.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM

NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship

KHEDIYE, Captain J. D. STEWARD, will

leave this on SATURDAY, the 21st

September, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to

A. LIND, Superintendent.

Hongkong, September 9, 1878. sel2

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor

Owners will be Responsible for any

Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew

of the following Vessels, during their stay

in Hongkong Harbour:—

HAWTHORN, British barque, Captain C.

MEAD.—Wheeler & Co.

CENTENNIAL, American ship, Captain J.

M. BEARE.—Butterfield & Swire.

BALCANIC, British barque, Captain

ROBERT KIMMOND.—Siemsen & Co.

SOUTHERN CROSS, American ship, Capt.

A. HUGHES.—Captain.

STRAITHEARN, British barque, Captain

WM. ANDERSON.—M. M. Co.

LORE, British steamer, Captain Wm.

McULLOCH.—Melchers & Co.

PARALOS, French barque, Captain J.

PASSO.—Kong Kee.

ASIA, Danish steamer, Captain U. J.

Djortup.—Meyer & Co.

MIN-TOON, British ship, Captain James

M. Leslie.—Olyphant & Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Sept. 8, *Salvadora*, Span. steamer, 615,

Larrinaga, Manila Sept. 5, General.—RE-

MEDIOS & Co.

Sept. 8, *Tek Li*, German barque, 350, T.

C. Petersen, Tournon Sept. 4, Ballast.—

Wm. PUSTAC & Co.

Sept. 8, *Minna*, German barque, 457, T.

Dau, Koolung Aug. 14, Coal.—MEYER &

Co.

Sept. 8, *Brema*, German barque, 380, K.

Timpe, Newchwang July 8, 3,500 piculs of

Beans.—WHEELER & Co.

Sept. 8, *Min-y-don*, British ship, 1103, J.

M. Leslie, Newcastle, N.S.W., July 5,

Coal.—OLYMPIC & Co.

Sept. 8, *Enilio V.*, Italian barque, 724,

O. Mirella, Nagasaki Aug. 10, General.—

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Sept. 8, *Braemar Castle*, British steamer,

1424, H. Ayles, London July 28, via ports

of call, and Singapore Sept. 3, General.—

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

Sept. 8, *Douglas*, British steamer, 864,

G. D. Pitman, Foochow Sept. 5, Amoy 6,

and Swatow 7, General.—DOUGLAS LA-

FRANK & Co.

Sept. 8, *Yothung*, British steamer, 286,

S. W. Goggin, Swatow Sept. 7, General.—

KWOK ACHONG.

Sept. 9, *Chefoo*, British steamer, 684,

Williams, Chetoo Sept. 1, Poon.—BUTTER-

FIELD & SWIRE.

Sept. 9, *Lancashire*, British barque, from

Whampoa, Sept. 4, General.—Wm.

PUSTAC & Co.

Sept. 9, *Emeralda*, British steamer, 905,

R. Cullen, Manila Sept. 6, General.—

RUSSELL & Co.

Sept. 9, *Iphigenia*, German barque, 484,

G. Green, Newchwang July 9, Beans.—

WHEELER & Co.

Sept. 9, *Elizabeth Childs*, British barque,

891, O. E. Lindberg, Tournon Sept. 8, Bal-

last.—MEYER & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Sept. 8, *Pernambuco*, for Saigon.

8, *Hindustan*, for Shanghai.

8, *Wenchow* for Swatow, &c.

8, *Hamas*, for Newchwang.

8, *Glenagles*, for Shanghai.

8, *Yangtze*, for Canton.

8, *Namoa*, for Hoihow & Halphong.

8, *H. M. S. Moorhous*, for a Cruise.

8, *Carl Ritter*, for Newchwang.

8, *Taunton*, for Newchwang.

8, *Emeralda*, for Amoy.

CLEARED.

Corrientes, for Portland (Oregon).

Glory, for Bangkok.

Peneda, for Manila.

Electric, for San Francisco.

Amoy, for Canton.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

For *Salvadora*, from Manila, 2 Sisters of

Mercy, Messrs Toda, F. Perich, A. Estaba

Gil, F. Bombal, Manuel Garcia, Perez, B.

Barea, A. Masaro, J. Tomas, Villabot, and

Juan Sanchez, and 33 Chinese for Amoy.

For *Douglas*, from Coast Ports, Mr and

Mrs Robison and 2 children.—Messrs Le

Savage and Courtola, and 120 Chinese.

For *Braemar Castle*, from London: for

Hongkong, Mr Tomlin; for Shanghai,

Messrs Wyatt and Coleman.

For *Tek Li*, from Tournon, 4 Chinese.

For *Bellona*, from Saigon, 178 Chinese.

For *Yothung*, from Swatow, 3 European,

and 51 Chinese.

For *Emeralda*, from Manila, 1 European

and 130 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

For *Hindustan*, for Shanghai, Mr and

Mrs J. McLeavy Brown, Miss Fligel, Mr

Bali, and 6 Chinese.

For *Pernambuco*, for Saigon, 300 Chi-

nese.

For *Wenchow*, for Swatow, 98 Chinese.

For *Emeralda*, for Amoy, 130 Chinese.

TO DEPART.

For *Glory*, for Bangkok, 5 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The

lokong had given false evidence. Mr. O'neal ordered the cash to be given up to him, and the fine was reduced to 25 cents.

It is notified in the *Government Gazette* that in accordance with the tenor of the Notification No. 153 of the 30th of July, thirty-five Candidates presented themselves for the vacant post of third Lighthouse Keeper. Under instructions from His Excellency the Governor, they were examined by Dr. Ellet, the Acting Head of the Education Department, and Mr. J. P. McKuen, R.N., the Acting Harbour Master. Having read the report of the Examiners and the testimonials of the Candidates, His Excellency has been pleased to appoint Leopoldo L. Lopes to be third Lighthouse Keeper on probation.

The danger to fire which houses at the Gap are exposed to was unfortunately illustrated with a rapidity which was almost appalling early yesterday morning. About half-past four o'clock the matched bungalow occupied by the Hon. C. B. Plunket, Registrar of the Supreme Court, was discovered to be on fire; and the inmates had scarcely time to get clear of the building ere it was in full blaze. It was reduced to ashes in less than half an hour, and not one single article of furniture or personal effects was saved. In the face of possibilities, one of two extinguishers may become necessary pieces of furniture up the Hill.

The Band and Pipers—74th Highlanders will perform on the Parade Ground tomorrow night, commencing at 9 p.m. The following is the programme:—

Band.
Overture, "Nabucco," Verdi.
Selection, "Les Huguenots," Meyerbeer.
Valse, "Spring Flowers," Bouquet.
Pavane, "Brin," Basquiat.
Spanish Dance.
Galop, "Corricolo," D. de Grau.
M. J. BUCANAN, Bandmaster.
P. F. B. S.
March, "Prince Edward Charles's Walsome."
Do, "Hills of Glen-roche."
Do, "Jenny Brown."
Do, "MacKenzie of Sutherland."
Do, "White Cockade."
J. HALL, Major Pipe.

Tax Royal English Opera Company performed Balfe's opera "Satanella, or the Power of Love" at the City Hall on Saturday. So far as dresses, and properties generally, are concerned, the piece was well placed upon the stage; and, with the exception of the small item of blue fire, nearly everything else was satisfactory and pleasing. The house was probably the best yet attracted by the present company; the opera, which is well known and popular, contains some exceedingly favourite airs and much beautiful music; and all the leading characters were well filled. One minor part, not quite equal to Hamlet in importance, was omitted, viz., that of *Armandes*, a king of the nether legends; but, excepting the critic of our contemporary, we do not think half a dozen of those present knew or cared sufficiently to note his absence. Although "Satanella" depends much upon spectacular effects for its success, it is by no means a piece which will succeed without good acting and good singing. The leading characters were all that could be wished on this occasion; but we do not think that the difficulties of united action were so happily overcome on this occasion as in the previous opera. From some cause or other, at all events, the first and second acts appeared to drag somewhat, and notwithstanding the really excellent efforts of Miss May, Mr. Vernon, Miss Stanley and Mr. Rollings, there were many forebodings as to the effect likely to be produced.

Miss Eliza May decidedly excels more in high-class, sentimental opera than in Opera Bouffe. We do not mean that she is never successful in the latter; her fine voice and lively manner would carry her through anything. But we would rather see her once as *Satanella* than half a dozen times as *Drogan*. Her *Satanella* of last Saturday was even an improvement on her personation of two years ago, and that was worthy of all praise. In the devilish part she played well, and carefully; and her singing imparted tone to the entire performance. But in the part where her love submerges her diabolical possession, Miss May approached the sublime. This song "There's a power whose way" was so exquisitely sung that she was compelled to repeat it, notwithstanding that it recurs again later on. It ought to be noted that this attractive artist achieves her success by no tricks of style or manner; her rendering of *Satanella* was natural, simple and in the best sense artistic. Mr. Vernon's *Count Rupert* was as good as he nearly always is, and consequently a central power in the cast. The numerous songs which fall to his lot were easily, vigorously and tastefully rendered, and his "Glorious vintage of champagne" was rapturously encored. Mr. Rollings, first as *Karl* and next as the *Grand Vicar*, was very happy, especially as the Grand Turk, with his comical page-boy, *Lella* was most satisfactorily represented by Miss Clara Stanley, who looked charming and sang very sweetly. Miss B. Dragan as *Princess Stella* filled her role with credit.

plaintiffs; and the Hon. G. Phillips, Attorney General, instructed by Mr. Donny, for the defendant. The Ting Tai firm had given three promissory notes from the Wing Tong Hing firm for \$25,000 in all. These the defendant contended were given as security for the bill of Tis. 20,000, and claims the return of these notes. The bank contended that the notes were given as security for another bill for which the Wing Tong Hing firm was security, and charged their liability these promissory notes had been properly returned to them. The compromise of the bank in a partner in the Wing Tong Hing firm, and it was, therefore, endeavoured to show that he had an interest in returning these notes and his conduct was the subject of a certain amount of suspicion. The defendant endeavoured to show that he (the Com. store) had illegally diverted the security. The defendant had to prove his right to these promissory notes, and the Attorney General therefore opened the case.

After hearing a considerable amount of evidence, the Court adjourned at 6 p.m. until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

CORRESPONDENCE.

CHINESE PROBITY.
To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."
HONGKONG, Sep. 9, 1878.
SIR,—Passing along the Queen's Road, I entered a curiosity shop (now a hundred miles from the Central Market), to purchase some articles of Chinese workmanship. My costume (military) did not seem to impress the very polite shopkeeper, that I had any intention of investing my small capital in the filigree work, so extensively displayed in his windows, but on my exhibiting the golden key (that talisman to all celestial imaginations), I was instantly admitted to an important place in his affections. After selecting various articles, which, for the sake of brevity I will term Lot No. 1, and having paid for them, and received his polite assurance, that they were excellent, he proceeded to show me No. 2, for which I also paid. I remained some time looking at the different sets of curios, and was about to withdraw with my purchases, when he informed me that I had not paid for Lot No. 1. My astonishment was so great that my first impulse was to knock the fellow down, but knowing that the Civil Law, my only alternative was to reimburse, but in vain. His assistants echoed their master's statement, and I found I was completely sold. As I calmly withdrew meditating on Benjamin Franklin and his whistle, I mentally ejaculated, "I am a stranger and ye took me in." Having reason to believe that this is of frequent occurrence, and knowing that your valuable columns are ever open in the cause of justice, I have been prompted to ask for your insertion of the above.

I am, &c.

VIOTIMIZED.

Manila.

(Translated from our Manila Exchange.)
News has been received of the successful raising of the hull of the British ship *Lord of the Isles*, stranded at the Narrows. It appears that the operation to float the ship was attended with many obstacles. A current of seven miles per hour impeded the works greatly, while it dragged the vessel more towards the reef. After floating her, the coal on board was discharged to allow the leakages to be repaired, and the large quantity of water found in the hold was extracted by powerful pumps. Other inconveniences experienced were the great vigilance necessary to prevent robbery, as the people inhabiting the island of San Andres are, it is said, in the majority criminal fugitives from the penal establishments of the different islands. Notwithstanding the vigilance, a boat used for salving operation was stolen. The vessel was subsequently towed to Magallanes, into the Sorogon bay, where the necessary repairs will be done previous to her being towed to Manila.

The Customs returns of duty collected during August 1878 show a decrease of \$49,344 28 as compared with same time last year. The duty collected during the period this year amounted to \$144,264.77 against \$184,609.00 as compared with same time last year. The decrease is only confined to importation duty, which shows that the market is over-stocked with goods and the unwillingness of the merchants to accumulate their stocks owing to the paralysis of sales originated by the misery and scarcity in the province.

A very unfortunate occurrence took place in the Curried Street on the 4th Sept. A telegraph clerk, doubtless in an unquiet state of mind, after firing two revolver shots upon his wife, came out in the street with a revolver and a knife, determined to do mischief to every passer-by, when he wounded some half dozen people, until he was captured by a party of police, after a severe struggle, during which he received two shot wounds.

At the ordinary sessions of the Ayuntamiento, held on the morning of the 4th Sept., the report presented by the commission appointed to the effect, with regard to the construction of five lines of tramways at Manila, solicited by Don Leon Monzon, has been approved.

Large consignments of rice have been received by the *Panay* and *Esmeralda*, and some 20,000 piculs was expected by the *Thales* from Hongkong.

The offices of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation and that of Peels Hubbel & Co., will shortly be removed to a fine house, now in course of construction, in Anaguta Street. The Chartered Bank also intends to improve its office by transferring to a more spacious house.

An alarming sort of epidemic seems to have visited Oatman, a village in the province of Samar, and its effects are of a singular character. It is reported that within a very short period about 150 persons were seized by a kind of pain in the head which caused the patient a disarrangement in his mental faculties, which is attended with a strong desire to commit suicide. Nothing has yet been discovered as to the cause of the disease, but it is curious to learn that the women are the greatest sufferers, and nobody has yet succumbed to its effects.

Freight.—During the fortnight the shipping movement has been insignificant, and the number of disengaged vessels has been considerably reduced. However, there is very little hope of the rate being improved. The *White Rose* and *Mount Washington*, have succeeded in obtaining barge to complete their cargo at \$5 per ton of 400 lbs.

Exchange.—The rate of exchange at night on Hongkong is 8 p.c. and on Amoy 10 p.c.

China.

WENOW.

August 24th.
To-day, says our correspondent, it has been my painful duty to attend the first European funeral which has taken place at Wuchow. A lady, the wife of one of our missionary fellow-residents, has been cut off in the course of a few hours by cholera, leaving an infant only ten days old. These appalling events cast a deep gloom over any community; but in one so small as this, where every member of it is well-known to the other, they strike with redoubled force. Mrs. Jackson had been resident here for several years, and up to the moment of attack had had no reason to complain of climatic influences. She was a zealous worker, and much beloved by those for whom she laboured. By her fellow-residents she was no less respected and esteemed, and the sad occurrence which has befallen her from our midst has affected all in a way that can be but inadequately expressed. It is but little to say that our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy is with him on whom this affliction has befallen.

The outbreak of cholera began about ten days or a fortnight ago, the mortality rising up from ten to about thirty per diem, but happily it now appears to be on the wane.

Strange to say, the disease has hitherto confined itself almost entirely to the beggars and very poorest people, scarcely any of the better class natives having suffered. On the 20th, a seaman belonging to the *Nassau* was seized, but when the ship left on the 21st he appeared to be out of danger. Prior to the rains, which have fallen for the last week, we had been suffering from prolonged drought, and thus the wells had become dried up or what impure. This, coupled with certain atmospheric changes, may have led to a reappearance of the disease, which however does not seem to exist to the same extent, or be of equal malignity, with that which visited China last year.—N. C. D. News.

The Straits.

(Singapore Daily Times).

We have to caution the public again regarding bad dollars. Yesterday, out of a great number of dollars, fifty-six were found to be spurious coins. In this case, the money was paid in by a respectable trader, and he appears to have received the dollars from him. It is most difficult to detect the unsoundness, as the outside of the coin is that of a good dollar, and it is only the inside which contains the spurious metal. The means by which these coins are manufactured is not known; either the dollar is bored out by some machine and the cavity filled up, or the coins are split up and afterwards joined together. However, to all appearance, it is a proper silver dollar, and it is only by the ring that the false metal inside can be detected. The Oriental Bank very properly drilled holes through all the coins before parting with them, and have communicated with the Police on the subject.

The Hon. Mr. Douglas, G. C. O., has received orders to leave here by the coming mail for Ceylon, to undertake the duties of Colonial Secretary of that Colony. The Hon. Cecil Smith is not expected to arrive here from Hongkong before the 1st of October, and meantime, the Hon. C. J. Irving, Auditor-General, has been appointed by H. E. the Governor, Acting Colonial Secretary; Mr. E. A. Irving, Acting Assistant Colonial Secretary, and Clerk of Councils, to be Acting Auditor-General; and Mr. A. M. Skinner, Inspector of Schools, &c., to be Acting Assistant Colonial Secretary and Clerk of Councils.

Speculation is again rife in official circles as to who will succeed Captain Boscawen as Chief Magistrate of Penang. It is generally thought that the Colonial Office will make the appointment honorable to Mr. Gottlieb, our present Junior Magistrate, by offering him the post. Should he be disposed to accept it, it is not improbable that the race for the second Magistracy here will lie between Dr. Denny and one of our many cadets.

THE STRAITS AND SINGAPORE FROM AN AUSTRALIAN'S POINT OF VIEW.

Writing to the Melbourne *Argus* J. H. proceeds to give his views respecting the *Acheen* War.—At the other end of the Straits of Malacca is a similar point of Sumatra territory, called *Acheen*, which, with England's consent, was lately—about five years ago—seized upon by the Dutch, who are desirous to make it another Singapore. It is some consolation to the English traveller, who sees good things thus taken by others, and one gate of these important straits—the highway from England to China—so got by another power, that the Dutch have got a hornet's nest in this *Acheen*. For four years the *Acheenese* have made it very hot indeed for their would-be owners. They would have submitted quietly to the mild, kindly rule of England, that does not enslave her subjects, making purposes the population of any country that they rule, but they will not have the Dutch for their masters if fighting can avail them. The stars in their courses fight for the plucky *Acheenese*. Of every hundred Dutch soldiers taken there from Java, 70 have to be taken back sick before three months are over. Of this 70 two-thirds die on the voyage. On the steamer that took me away from Singapore they were thrown overboard at the rate of 24 a day. Of the remaining 20 soldiers that stay in *Acheen*, the *Acheenese* are said to account for fully half in the guerrilla warfare that these true patriots carry on. It has lasted now for four years, and cost the Dutch 70 millions of guilders! The end is as far off as ever. There is no going back, or such course would perhaps be adopted for the Dutch clutch their guilders. They have five-sixths of Sumatra already, and want this *Acheen* to make a complete thing of it as of Java. If beaten there, then all Sumatra would be lost, and the quiet possession of the other part of Sumatra be endangered. A candid Dutch merchant told me that another 30 years might not see the end of it. The Dutch generally are getting to be of the same opinion, but dare not all say so.

J. H. found the name of "Raffles" turn up in Singapore "as often as the word 'lottery' does in a Dutch settlement. These antique legends are still legal, and in explanation relates the following legend, which we would commend to the attention of the Straits Asiatic Society, regarding the *Founding of Singapore*.—Fifty-seven years ago, Sir Stamford Raffles, then and for six previous years Governor of Java,

Java, handed over that gem of the east, at the bidding of his Government, again to the Dutch. He had advised against so doing, but his despatch was unheeded. It was, in fact, unopened for some time after the cession was made. He then came up to Singapore. Having buried Lady Raffles in Java, he contracted a marriage with the daughter of a Rajah of Johore, on the nearest mainland. He then set up the colony of Singapore on his own account, on the land that formed his wife's portion. It was to make a settlement that he could not be required, against his opinion and advice, to give up to the Dutch. The dreary little fishing village and tiger jungle soon increased in population under his care, and grew like to the Lord of Burleigh's village wife to noble proportions. It has now 100,000 inhabitants, 5,000 of whom are Europeans.

J. H. apparently did not like *The Heat of Singapore*.—A busy place in Singapore, and a nice one only for salaried men. Human life to Europeans is scarcely endurable in it at any time of the 12 months. Pope sings of something that "lives along the line." Nothing of European growth could do so for long. To common sense it would seem that a cooler atmosphere would come on the sun going down, and taking its fierce, fiery glow with it. It is not so; the nights seem to be, perversely, hotter than the days. About 8 p.m., the heat, which has lulled for two hours previously, seems to get "second wind," and returns to stop for the night. Sleep is out of the question. Artificial warmth may encourage sleep in cold climates, but not so in hot ones. It must be possible to get acclimated here. Some pale, sickly-looking, full stomached folks that I saw had existed here for years; so that keeping vitality within one is learnt somehow. Until that is done, however, life becomes a serious matter to a European. The greatest cynic or philosopher would no longer call it a farce. As many handkerchiefs are wanted there a day as are elsewhere required for a bad case of cold in the head. One of them becomes wetted through with perspiration, after about five applications to the forehead, face, hands, and neck. Such applications are made every five minutes. It gets very monotonous work after the first few hours. The novelty wears out more quickly than some other devices. The wish of Hamlet that his solid flesh would melt and thaw is here exactly realised. The climate of Singapore would have brought the Prince of Denmark to his senses in a very short time, if the melting and thawing process would have helped in that way. His soliloquies would have turned on other matters, and had to be spoken sitting, with handkerchief in hand. A Malay boy would have had to hold Yorick's skull for him.

Moreover he seems to have formed a strong prejudice against *The Malays*.—The patient boasts of burden and drags that can be made out of Hindoo, Japanese, and Chinese cannot be made out of the Malay. He does not take to this means of transport, and perhaps it is as well. If he did that work as grumblingly and extortively as he endeavours to do everything else, it would be unpleasant—at least to the traveller. Everything seems to be unpleasant to the Malay. I suppose it is that fiery sun that turns his wholesome blood to gall. It strokes his hair the wrong way. The "nasty" nature of the Malay culminates sometimes in his "running-a-muck," and stabbing, as a mad dog snaps, at everybody. It is a sort of mental *distrahitum* which has come upon him; the result, not of drinking, but of unrestrained rage and passion. He seems to be always in a state of ill nature—I never saw one smile. This running-a-muck fit of theirs is the bursting of the pent-up volcano. It is allowable to shoot them when seen in that way, but Europeans generally prefer to get out of their road. At night, in front of the hotel, walks a Malay with a loaded gun. He mounts guard thus to protect the sleepers and their property all exposed by the wide-opened doors. There they lie in their pajamas, all other ways uncovered, on the mattresses. The tread of the Malay so keeping guard is mixed up with the shrill whirling of the mosquitoes, and are inside the curtains, and the loud flapping wings of the moths and beetles that bump now and again against the outside of it. As I listen to it all, I hope that this particular Malay has nothing on his mind that might cause him to run-a-muck in the night time. All his sleeping charges, and those trying to sleep, are then at his mercy. What he stabs with is a "crescent"—a dagger of irregular shape, about 18 in. long. He carries this in a sheath at his girdle. That a scratch with it may be effective it is generally kept well polished. Streaks of blood are carefully preserved upon it as honorable marks.

J. H. describes as follows, *Hotel Life in Singapore*.—In the bungalow called a hotel that I stay at in Singapore, the house is surrounded by trees that are covered with either red leaves or red flowers. They look all alike. Another tree, majestically large in size, has roots that will not stay within the earth. They rise up for a foot or two above it, and twist about in ridge-shaped forms. I say that way the tree seems to have a mob of gigantic lizards at its foot. The birds fly from the compound, as the garden is called, into the rooms in the most free and easy manner—perching about anywhere out of reach. They wait for a chance of darting down upon what takes their fancy, and then away through the door. I sit. Lizards run along the walls of the room, and at night, moths and winged beetles of all sizes are attracted inward by the lamp, and not some closer to nature, or nature comes closer to him—not as he lived in the days of the Golden Age, when all created things are supposed to have waited upon him, but just in a way that reminds him of that state of things in what must have been the unpleasant side of it. Created things must then have come for orders, and have sometimes intruded. In the early dawn each bedroom is noisily entered by a native servant, who removes the nightgown, and one's boots, and leaves a cup of coffee and a steaming cup of dry toast in their place. These are usually quite cold by the time I awake, and, after struggling with the heat and the mosquitoes all night, I fall asleep when the latter are satisfied. These accustomed to Singapore life wake up when the coffee cup comes. After eating and drinking their thoughts turn to the bath and its cooling water, so that a habit of early rising is cultivated, the spoils of the morning taken advantage of, and lastly folks get out of bed betimes.

At fifteen times and at dinner the native servants appear; as in Hindooism, each covered with his peculiar headgear, and looks all the better for it. The Europeans are then all dressed in white, the women in linen jackets and trousers, and the colour of table-cover, dresses, and their pale faces help to give them a ghastly look, especially so to the pale-faced women. At these meals the customs of the aborigines have eaten into the manners of the whites. They take a "chow-chow," made up of rice and fish and hot curry. The first two are the right sort of thing, but for the sake of their livers, that torment to them, it were better that they let the last one alone, and also the wines and spirits. In America, where these could with more impunity be taken, only water is drunk at meal times. In the East, where water only should be taken, the heating wine and the fiery spirits take favour—and victims.

And he is rather severe upon *The Little Elephant in front of the Town-hall*.—In front of the town-hall at Singapore stands the only monument of note in the place. It is of squared freestone, and bears a carved marble elephant. The monument records this important fact—"His Majesty Somdeo Phra Paramindraj Mah Rajasirindhorn, the Supreme King of Siam, landed at Singapore 16th March, 1871. The first foreign land visited by a Siamese monarch." Let nothing be said about the folly of Albert memorials after that! As it was considered worth recording upon stone, I am sufficiently excused for copying the record upon paper. It is really funny, when you give thought to it.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, September 9, 1878.

OPIMUM—New Patna, cash, \$812 1/2 @ 918 credit,
" Old Patna, cash, 872 1/2 @ 876 credit,
" New Benares, cash, None credit,
" Old Benares, cash, 642 1/2 @ 644 credit,
" New Malwa, cash, 756 1/2 @ 776 credit, 760 @ 780
" Allowance Teals, 6 @ 10
" Old Malwa, cash, — credit,
" Allowance Teals, —

Exchange.
Bank, on demand, ... 3/8 1/2
" 30 days' sight, ... 3/8 1/2
" 60 days' sight, ... 3/8 1/2
" 90 days' sight, ... 3/8 1/2
" 120 days' sight, ... 3/8 1/2
" 150 days' sight, ... 3/8 1/2
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